Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* That is why this question was mooted and it has not been finally shelved. It was not taken up, because there are some additional expenditure to be incurred to put the College in order.

S. S. L. C. EXAMINATION—SUPPLEMENTARY CANDIDATES—PARTICULARS REGARDING

17. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) when was the last examination to enable failed candidates in S. S. L. C. Examinations prior to 1936 (Old System) to supplement in subjects they had failed, conducted ;

(*b*) the number of such candidates who sat for such supplementary examination ;

(*c*) the number of candidates who passed in that examination ;

(*d*) whether the Government have disallowed further opportunity for them to supplement in subjects failed

(*e*) if so, why ;

(*f*) whether the Government have received any representations from candidates or guardians requesting that such candidates may be given one more opportunity to supplement in subjects they have failed ;

(*g*) what is the objection in giving such candidates one more opportunity to supplement in the subjects they have failed ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) March 1939.

(*b*) 175.

(*c*) 77.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) It was considered that it would not serve any useful purpose.

(*f*) Yes.

(*g*) The candidates who had failed under the old scheme were given three chances to complete their certificates—in October 1937, March 1938 and March 1939. Giving these candidates one more chance entails additional expenditure to Government while

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there is no guarantee that still another chance will not be prayed for.

These candidates have also been allowed to appear privately as full course candidates under the new scheme, taking an additional optional subject in place of two subjects under Group A—Elementary Science and Outlines of History of England and India and Geography.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* May I know what exactly is the difficulty for the Government to give one more chance?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* There is unnecessary additional expenditure. I say *unnecssary*, because in the last paragraph of the answer it is stated that they can appear under the new scheme as private candidates.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* There are some candidates who have failed in five subjects. Now the Government is asking them to appear for 7 subjects.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* They have two subjects alone under group A.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* This will be more difficult than under the old scheme.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* The majority of them will not pass even if they are given half a dozen chances.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Does the Government concede that the chances for them to pass under the new scheme are more difficult than under the old scheme?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* It is a matter of opinion. They have been given three chances and every time the request was for one more chance. They were informed by notification that this will be the final chance. Government do not see any justification for this additional expenditure particularly in view of the modifications to the rules contained in the last paragraph of the answer.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* May I know what will be the additional expenditure?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* I want notice. It means the appointment of examiners and each examiner has to be given fees for setting paper and for valuing the answer papers.

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Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* May I know whether the old scheme in Madras has been completely stopped?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Yes.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Each student has to pay a certain amount as examination fees.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* It will not be adequate. Even if the number of candidates is small, we have to pay the usual fees.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* May I know whether the Government have any objection to increase the examination fees and allow these students to appear for these subjects?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* These candidates have already been given three chances. I honestly ask the members whether it is worthwhile conducting this examination for 100 candidates? Government cannot do it.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* If it is a question of additional expenditure, has the Government any objection to increase the examination fees?

Mr. President: The Director of Public Instruction has made it perfectly clear that sufficient chances have been given to these candidates under the old scheme, and in view of the fact that they are given the privilege to appear under the new scheme, which is not available in Madras, I think it is not worthwhile to give any more chance. The question of finance is only one of the reasons.

RECOGNISED TEACHERS' ORGANISATIONS—PARTICULARS REGARDING

18. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the names of various teachers' organisations that are recognised by the Education Department, and functioning in the State;

(*b*) of these, which is the oldest and when was it first founded;

(*c*) the years in which the other organisations were started;

(*d*) for what purpose were these subsequent organisations started; what is the membership in each;

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